

# East Tennessee Regional Office

## DMRS Quarterly Staff Development Calendar

aka DMRS Quarterly Training Calendar)

Please find attached the East Tennessee Regional Office Quarterly Staff Development Calendar for October, November and December 2008.




As you are aware in July, 2008, DMRS Day, Residential and Personal Assistant contracted agencies began transitioning to the College of Direct Support, web-based training. A memorandum from Deputy Commissioner, Steve H. Norris, was sent to all providers on July 3, 2008 which addressed the most recent training changes. Along with the memorandum were training grids that reflect new training requirements for all service entities effective July 1, 2008.

As noted on the training grids, Clinical and Independent Support Coordinators will **not** be utilizing the College of Direct Support as their training venue at this time. Until the time that other accessible training can be provided to Clinical providers, the Regional Staff Development Instructors will continue scheduling a few classes in Abuse Prevention, Protection from Harm, Sensitivity and Title VI. However, Sensitivity and Ethics Training for new therapists will be provided during the Therapy Provider Orientation which is scheduled monthly. PLEASE take note of the "Per Request" portion of the calendar. There are many staff development opportunities available for your agency. Contact information is included.

- ✓ To make reservations for classes, contact Rebecca Stamps-Brown at (865) 588-0508, x 112, e-mail at [rebecca.stamps-brown@state.tn.us](mailto:rebecca.stamps-brown@state.tn.us) or Greg Voica at (865) 588-0508, x 238, e-mail at [greg.voica@state.tn.us](mailto:greg.voica@state.tn.us) , unless otherwise noted.
- ✓ Please note all classes are subject to change.
- ✓ For the most current information contact Alice Taylor, Regional Training Coordinator, (423) 787-6757, x 112 or visit our website: <http://www.state.tn.us/dmrs>

# October 2008

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1	2	3 <b>Provider Meeting</b> Lakeshore Chapel 10:00-12:00 noon Conducted by John Craven, Regional Director
6	7 <b>Challenges in Physical Management</b> , TWO DAYS – 7th & 8th 9 am – 5 pm <b>Envision</b> in Jonesborough <u>Contact: Amy Ford</u> <u>(423) 787-6757, x117</u>	8 <b>ISC Training, Session 1</b> 9 am – 4 pm, Palm Cottage Knoxville RO R. Stamps-Brown & Greg Voica  <b>PSR Training, 9 am – 4 pm</b> Oak Cottage, Knoxville RO <b>Registration Limited</b> <u>Contact: Joyce Couch</u> <u>(423) 787-6757, x128</u>	9	10
13  Columbus Day	14 <b>Mealtime Challenges Training</b> , 9 am – 5 pm <b>Envision</b> in Jonesborough <u>Contact: Amy Ford (423) 787-6757, x117</u>	15	16 <b>Nutrition Resource Guide</b> 10-12:00 noon Chattanooga District Office of Knox RO <u>Contact: Sherry Kyker (423) 787-6757 x123</u>	17
20 <b>Therapy Provider Orientation/Sensitivity Training for Therapist</b> 9-2:30 <u>Contact: Sheri Lamons, (423) 787-6757, x. 124</u>	21 <b>Employment Presentation</b> 10 am – Noon, Palm Cottage- Knoxville RO, <u>Contact: Tina Rachael (865) 588-0508, x136</u>	22 <b>Training Committee Meeting</b> 10 am – Noon, Palm Cottage, Knox RO, Alice Taylor  <b>Dysphasia Overview</b> 1:00-3:30 p.m. Knoxville – Palm Cottage S. Luttrell 865-588-0508 x. 126	23	24
27	28 <b>Protection from Harm for Clinical Provider</b> 10-12:00 pm, Maple Cottage, Knox RO (Beatty) <b>Abuse Prevention/Sensitivity</b> 1-3:30 pm Maple Cottage RO R. Stamps-Brown & G. Voica	29	30 <b>Title VI</b> 9 am-10:30 Palm Cottage- KnoxRO Rebecca Stamps-Brown & Greg Voica	31 HAPPY HALLOWEEN 

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3	<b>4 Protection from Harm for New Incident Management Coord.</b> 10-12:00 pm, Maple Cottage, Knox RO (Barwick) <b>Challenges in Physical Management Training</b> <b>TWO DAYS – 4th &amp; 5th</b> 9:00 am – 5:00 pm Palm Cottage, Knox RO <u>Contact: Amy Ford (423) 787-6757</u>	5	<b>6 Risk Assessment &amp; Planning Workshop, 9 am – 12 pm</b> Palm Cottage- Knoxville RO R. Stamps-Brown & G. Voica  <b>Employment Presentation</b> 10:30 am – 12 pm Greeneville District Office of the RO <u>Contact: Tina Rachael (865) 588-0508, x136</u>	7
10	11  Veteran's Day State Offices Closed	12 <b>ISC Training, Session 2</b> 9 am – 4 pm, Palm Cottage- Knoxville RO R. Stamps-Brown & Greg Voica  <b>PSR Training, 9 am – 4 pm</b> Chattanooga District Office of Knoxville RO <b>Registration Limited</b> <u>Contact: Joyce Couch (423) 787-6757 x. 128</u>	13 <b>ISC Training, Session 2</b> 9 am – 4 pm, Palm Cottage- Knoxville RO R. Stamps-Brown & G. Voica  <b>Menu Planning Training</b> 10 am – Noon Chattanooga District of the Knoxville RO <u>Contact: Sherry Kyker (423) 787-6757, x123</u>	14
17 <b>Therapy Provider Orientation/Sensitivity Training for Therapist</b> 9-2:30 <u>Contact: Sheri Lamons, (423) 787-6757, x. 124</u>	18 <b>Understanding Psych Issues</b> 9 – 10am, Mgmt of Psych Meds, 10:15 am – 12:15 pm, Greeneville District Office of the Knox RO <u>Contact: Kathy Capps (423) 634-6149, x146</u>  <b>Mealtime Challenges Training</b> 9 am – 5 pm, Palm Cottage, Knoxville Regional Office <u>Contact: Amy Ford (423) 787-6757, x 117</u>	19	20 <b>Provider Orientation</b> 9 am – 4 pm Palm Cottage- Knoxville RO Regional Office Staff	21
24	25	26	27 State Offices Closed 	28 State Offices Closed 

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1	<p><b>2 Employment Presentation</b> 10 : 30am – Noon, Chattanooga District Office of the RO <u>Contact: Tina Rachael</u> <u>(865) 588-0508, x136</u></p> <p><b>Challenges in Physical Management Training</b> <b>TWO DAYS – 2nd &amp; 3rd</b> 9 am – 5 pm, CORE Svs in JC <u>Contact: Amy Ford</u> <u>(423) 787-6757, x 117</u></p>	3	4	5
<p><b>8 Dysphagia Overview</b> 1:00-3:30 p.m. Knoxville – Palm Cottage</p> <p>Contact Sam Luttrell for Registration – 865-588-0508, ext. 126</p>	<p><b>9 Mealtime Challenges Training</b> 9 am – 5 pm, CORE Svs in JC <u>Contact: Amy Ford (423) 787-6757, x 117</u></p>	<p><b>10 ISC Training, Session 3</b> 9 am – 4 pm Palm Cottage- Knoxville RO Rebecca Stamps-Brown &amp; Greg Voica</p>	<p><b>11 ISC Training, Session 3</b> 9 am – 4 pm Palm Cottage- Knoxville RO Rebecca Stamps-Brown &amp; Greg Voica</p> <p><b>Nutrition Resource Guide Training</b>, 10 am – Noon CORE Svs in Johnson City <u>Contact: Sherry Kyker (423) 787-6757, x123</u></p>	12
<p><b>15 Therapy Provider Orientation/Sensitivity Training for Therapist</b> 9-2:30 <u>Contact: Sheri Lamons,</u> <u>(423) 787-6757, x. 124</u></p>	16	17	18	19
<p>22</p> <p>/29</p>	<p>23</p> <p>/30</p>	<p>24</p> 	<p>25</p> 	<p>26</p> 

**Division of Mental Retardation Services**  
**East Tennessee Regional Quarterly Staff Development Calendar**  
**Supplemental Training**  
**October, November & December 2008**

DATE/TIME	TYPE	TOPIC/ INSTRUCTOR	TARGETED PARTICIPANTS	LOCATION
Per Request	Training	<b>Intro to MR/DD ISP Overview, ADA Title VI, Sensitivity, Abuse Prevention, Effective Training Techniques (Stamps-Brown &amp; Voica)</b>	ISC Agencies, Clinical Providers, Families, Advocates, Service Recipients, Conservators & Guardians, Other Stakeholders	Contact Rebecca Stamps-Brown or Greg Voica for scheduling  865-588-0508 x112 & x238
Per Request	Training	<b>Medicaid Eligibility  (Larson)</b>	Provider Agencies, ISC Agencies, Independent Therapy and Behavior Professionals, Trainers, Families, Advocates, Service Recipients, Guardians & Conservators, Other Stakeholders	Contact Janet Larson for scheduling  865-588-0508 x114
Per Request	Training	<b>Appeal Process (for service request denials and partial approvals)</b>	Provider Agencies, ISC Agencies, Independent Therapy and Behavior Professionals, Trainers, Families, Advocates, Service Recipients, Guardians & Conservators, Other Stakeholders	Contact Kelly Ebert for scheduling  865-588-0508 x239
Per Request	Training	<b>Falls Prevention  (Regional Office Therapeutic Services Team)</b>	Provider Agencies, ISC Agencies, Independent Therapy and Behavior Professionals, Trainers, Families, Advocates, Service Recipients, Guardians/Conservators, Other Stakeholders	Contact Amy Ford for scheduling  (423) 787-6757 x117
Per Request	Training	<b>Diabetes Diet and Nutrition  (Regional Office Therapeutic Services Team)</b>	Direct Support Professionals, Clinical Providers, Families, Guardians & Conservators, Advocates, Service Recipients, Other Stakeholders	Contact Sherry Kyker for scheduling  (423) 787-6757 x123
Per Request	Training	<b>Renal Disease and Nutrition  (Regional Office Therapeutic Services Team)</b>	<b>Direct Support Professionals, Clinical Providers, Families, Guardians &amp; Conservators, Advocates, Service Recipients, Other Stakeholders</b>	<b>Contact Sherry Kyker for scheduling  (423) 787-6757 x123</b>

Per Request	Training	Environmental Access Modification (EAM) Request (Overview)  (Regional Office Therapeutic Services Team)	Direct Support Professionals, Clinical Providers, Families, Guardians & Conservators, Advocates, Service Recipients, Other Stakeholders	Contact LaVern Davis or Lois Campbell for scheduling  (865) 588-0508 x. 202 or 153
Per Request	Training	Structuring Environments: Providing Opportunities for Communication and Sensory Input  (Regional Office Therapeutic Services Team)	ISC Agencies, Providers (clinical, day, res, pa) Independent Therapy Professionals, Families, Guardians & Conservators, Advocates, Service Recipients, Other Stakeholders	Contact LaVern Davis or Lois Campbell for scheduling  (865) 588-0508 x. 202 or 153
Per Request	Training	Assistive Technology Basics  (Regional Office Therapeutic Services Team)	Therapy Professionals both Independent or with a Provider Agency	Contact Lois Campbell for scheduling  (865) 588-0508, ext153
Per Request	Train the Trainer	Supporting People with Developmental Disabilities in the Health Care System  (Couch)	Provider Agencies, ISC Agencies, Independent Clinical Providers, Trainers, Advocates, Service Recipients, Guardians/Conservators, Other Stakeholders	Contact Joyce Couch, Nurse Educator, for scheduling  (423) 787-6757 x128
Per Request	Nurse Train the Trainer	Diabetes Mellitus and Insulin Administration  (Couch)	Nurses Only	Contact Joyce Couch, for scheduling (423) 787-6757 x128
Per Request	Train the Trainer	Medication Variance  (Couch)	Provider Agencies, ISC Agencies, Independent Clinical Providers, Families, Advocates, Guardians/Conservators, Other Stakeholders	Contact Joyce Couch, Nurse Educator, for scheduling (423) 787-6757 x128
Per Request	Train the Trainer	Death Reporting (Forms)  (Williams)	Provider Agencies, ISC Agencies, Independent Clinical Providers, Families, Advocates, Guardians/Conservators, Other Stakeholders	Contact Barbara Williams for scheduling  (423) 787-6757 x125
Per Request	Train the Trainer	Health Care Oversight  (Couch)	Provider Agencies, ISC Agencies, Independent Clinical Providers, Families, Advocates, Guardians/Conservators, Other Stakeholders	Contact Joyce Couch, Nurse Educator, for scheduling (423) 787-6757x128
Per Request	Train the Trainer	Health Passport  (Couch)	Provider Agencies, ISC Agencies, Independent Clinical Providers, Families, Advocates, Guardians/Conservators, Other Stakeholders	Contact Joyce Couch, Nurse Educator, for scheduling (423) 787-6757x128

Per Request	Training	<b>Community and Developmental Center Transitions</b>  <b>(Regional Transition Team)</b>	Provider Agencies, ISC Agencies, Independent Clinical Providers, Families, Advocates, Guardians/Conservators, Other Stakeholders	Contact Terry Jordan-Henley for scheduling  865-588-0508 X105
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